

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 1-4 and add new claims 5-13 as shown in the following listing of claims, which replaces all previous listings and versions of claims.

1. (currently amended) A portable watch, comprising:

a case band provided with a pipe-attachment hole opening toward both an intracase-band plane and an extracase-band plane, and a first pin-receiving groove opening toward the pipe-attachment hole and also toward at least either the intracase-band plane or the extracase-band plane;

a winding stem pipe provided with an insertion section ~~having~~ playably inserted into the pipe-attachment hole in a removable manner from outside of the case band and including an intracase-band end section ~~to be arranged that~~ extends beyond the intracase-band plane to the inside of the case band, an extracase-band end section including a male screw section, and ~~another~~ a second pin-receiving groove opening toward an outer rim plane of the insertion section and facing ~~to~~ the first pin-receiving groove;

a rotation-stop pin ~~arranged across~~ inserted into both of the first and second pin-receiving grooves to prevent relative rotation between the case band and the winding stem pipe;

a pipe stopper engaged in a removable manner with an engagement groove ~~provided to~~ that extends circumferentially around the outer periphery of the intracase-band end section ~~in a removable manner~~ to prevent the winding stem pipe from being disengaged from the case band; and

a crown including a crown main section formed with a female screw section ~~to be~~ screwed together with the male screw section in a removable manner.

2. (currently amended) A portable watch according to claim ~~1,~~ 1; wherein the first pin-receiving groove of the case band is ~~made~~ open toward the inside of the case band intracase-band plane, and the second pin-receiving groove of the winding stem pipe is ~~made~~ open toward the outside of the case band a tip plane of the insertion section.

3. (currently amended) A portable watch according to claim ~~1,~~ 1; wherein the rotation-stop pin ~~is sandwiched,~~ extends in an axial ~~direction,~~ direction between the pipe stopper and a groove end of the second pin-receiving groove of the winding stem pipe ~~located~~ closer to the extracase-band end section ~~and the pipe stopper~~.

4. (currently amended) A portable watch, comprising:

a case band provided with a noncircular pipe-attachment hole opening toward both an intracase-band plane and an extracase-band plane;

a winding stem pipe provided ~~with~~ with an insertion section having an outer ~~rim being~~ periphery having a noncircular ~~in~~ shape that corresponds to the shape of the noncircular ~~corresponding to the~~ pipe-attachment hole ~~to be~~ playably and inserted in a removable manner into the pipe-attachment hole from outside of the case band ~~in a removable manner, and including,~~ an intracase-band end section ~~to be arranged inside that extends beyond the inside surface of the case band into the interior of the case band;~~ band, and an extracase-band end section including a male screw section;

a pipe stopper engaged in a removable manner with an engagement groove ~~provided to~~ that extends circumferentially around the outer periphery of the intracase-band end section ~~in a removable manner~~ to prevent the winding stem pipe from being disengaged from the case band; and

a crown including a crown main section formed with a female screw section ~~to be~~ screwed together with the male screw section in a removable manner.

5. (new) A portable watch comprising: a case body having a noncircular pipe-attachment hole extending therethrough; a winding stem pipe removably inserted from outside of the case body into the pipe-attachment hole and having a noncircular outer peripheral portion that cooperates with the noncircular pipe-attachment hole to prevent relative rotation between the case body and the winding stem pipe, an inner end portion that extends beyond the inside surface of the case body into the interior of the case body and an outer end portion that extends out from the exterior of the case body, the outer end portion having a male screw section and the inner end portion having an annular groove around the outer periphery thereof; a stopper removably engaged with the groove and abutting with an interior surface of the case body to prevent withdrawal of the winding stem pipe from the pipe-attachment hole and being disengageable from the groove to permit withdrawal of the winding stem pipe from the pipe-attachment hole; and a crown having a crown main section that has a female screw section screwed together with the male screw section to removably connect the crown to the winding stem pipe.

6. (new) A portable watch according to claim 5; further including an elastically compressible gasket disposed in a compressed state between the case body and the outer end portion of the winding stem pipe to provide a watertight seal between the case body and the winding stem pipe.

7. (new) A portable watch according to claim 6; wherein the case body has a groove on an exterior surface thereof, the gasket being disposed in the groove.

8. (new) A portable watch according to claim 7; wherein the case body groove is an annular groove that surrounds the pipe-attachment hole.

9. (new) A portable watch according to claim 6; wherein the stopper and the gasket are disposed on the interior and exterior surfaces, respectively, of the case body in axial alignment with one another.

10. (new) A portable watch according to claim 6; wherein the noncircular outer peripheral portion of the winding stem pipe and the noncircular pipe-attachment hole have one or more flat sections.

11. (new) A portable watch according to claim 10; wherein the noncircular outer peripheral portion of the winding stem pipe and the noncircular pipe-attachment hole have two opposed flat sections interconnected by two circular sections.

12. (new) A portable watch according to claim 5; wherein the noncircular outer peripheral portion of the winding stem pipe and the noncircular pipe-attachment hole have one or more flat sections.

13. (new) A portable watch according to claim 12; wherein the noncircular outer peripheral portion of the winding stem pipe and the noncircular pipe-attachment hole have two opposed flat sections interconnected by two circular sections.